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## Roosevelt Demands Congress Act on Relief

Says Tories to Blame for WPA Firings if \$150 Million Is Rejected

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14.—President Roosevelt told Congress today that it must appropriate \$150,000,000 for WPA at once or take full responsibility for firing more than 1,300,000 project workers this Spring and leaving without livelihood a total of 5,000,000 people.

The President stated his case in a fighting message which assailed attempts to impose "efficiency" at the expense of the unemployed and reaffirmed the "obligation of the Federal government" to give work to those able to work.

But his urgent appeal for action was met by a new tory plan to stall until after the crucial date of April 1 when the first batch of 400,000 WPA workers is scheduled to be laid off.

### TORIES STALL

From Rep. E. E. Cox, of Georgia, one of the leaders of the Garner Democrats in the House, came a resolution to empower the appropriations committee to hold a lengthy, drawn-out investigation of the entire relief problem before moving in the present emergency.

The plan was immediately approved by Rep. Joseph Martin of Massachusetts, Republican floor leader, and Rep. Clifton Woodrum, D. of Virginia, dominant figure in the tory economic bloc.

New Deal leaders in both Houses said they were confident that a majority of Congress was for the President's request—but they were faced with the necessity of waging a race against time.

As the situation stands every day is previous. For not only are the actual lay-offs less than three weeks distant, but WPA headquarters announced that they would be forced to send out orders to slash the rolls at the end of this week.

### PRESS FOR ACTION

The first step to get action in the House came from Rep. Edward T. Taylor, D., of Colorado, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, who introduced a bill to grant the desperately needed \$150,000,000.

This was accompanied with a move by Taylor to take command of the committee's vital deficiency subcommittee, the group which must act first on the President's request. Although Taylor is nominally chairman of this subcommittee as well as of the full committee, Woodrum has been acting chairman for some years in place of his aged chief.

With Woodrum shoved aside from his key position in the sub-committee, it will be possible for Taylor to handle the relief bill on the floor instead of the hostile Virginian who would fight the measure he is supposed to be sponsoring.

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## Labor Peace Talks Continue, Progress Seen

Progress toward unity in the American labor movement apparently continued last night as spokesmen for the CIO and AFL met in their third consecutive session here at Hotel Biltmore, and continued until late in the evening.

The unbroken sequence of the peace talks which began in Washington, D. C., at the personal request of President Roosevelt, and continued in this city beginning last Friday, indicated that progress toward a solution of the issues were being made.

Last Friday's meeting here, attended by the four AFL spokesmen and three CIO representatives, lasted five hours. Resuming Monday, the conferees sat in session for another six hours.

Representing the CIO at the talks are John L. Lewis, CIO president, Phillip Murray and Sidney Hillman, while the AFL is being represented by Daniel Tobin, Harry C. Bates, Matthew Woll, Thomas A. Rickett.

It was rumored last night that the peace talks may be temporarily halted for several days, possibly starting tomorrow, in order to give Lewis an opportunity to spend more time at the negotiations now underway between the United Mine Workers and coal operators, and for the AFL conference to entrain for Washington to report the progress made thus far to AFL President William Green.

## The People's Happiness--Keynotes Soviet Congress

By G. Ryklin  
(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, March 14.—At the Bolshevik Party Congress now meeting here, there are no impartial orators, no indifferent spectators.

Here all are affected by the lofty and noble emotion which is the vital source of creative work. In the language of poets, artists and musicians, such a spiritual condition is called inspiration.

Lofty inspiration creates poems, symphonies and paintings. It also raises towns, grain elevators, towers and electric power stations. Mighty flights of human thought are also created by inspiration.

### LOVE FOR PEOPLE

The speeches at this historic Congress are filled with passion. Every speech is imbued with Bolshevik ardor. The source of this ardor is love for human beings, Stalinist solicitude for the happiness of the people.

Before the Congress opened an old worker spoke at a Party meeting at a Moscow factory.

"What do the theses to be presented at the Party Congress deal with?" he said. The old man paused, put on his spectacles, looked attentively at his audience.

"They deal, comrades, with you. They deal with all of us. They deal with the happiness of the people."

This old Bolshevik worker expressed the thoughts, ideas and feelings of all Soviet people.

For the happiness of the people! It is with this solicitude that ev-

## Detroit Plant Recognizes CIO-AutoUnion

Addes Gives Organizing Task of U.A.W. for March 27 Parley

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., March 14.—The management of the big Kelsey Hayes Wheel Plant, on the West Side in Detroit, officially recognized the legitimate UAW-CIO as the representative of the workers of the plant today.

The Homer Martin clique attempted to break the relations between the union and the management and demanded recognition of their splinter group. Originally the management was in favor of having a referendum to decide who had the majority and when the Martinites refused the management declared that they recognized as in the past the official UAW Kelsey Hayes division of the west side local.

George F. Addes, international secretary-treasurer of the NAW, once again emphasized the central tasks confronting the coming Cleveland convention of the UAW on March 27. Informing the membership of the recent decisions of the international executive board in expelling from the UAW the traitorous Martin, Addes said:

"The Cleveland convention will finish the job of setting our house in order and will reestablish the UAW as a militant and responsible industrial union affiliated with the CIO."

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## Lasser Assails Byrnes Bill As Danger to Nation

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14.—David Lasser, president of the Public Works Alliance, today assailed the Public Works Bill introduced by Senator James F. Byrnes of South Carolina as a "dangerous bill opposed to the best interests of the nation."

Lasser charged that under cover of what appeared to be "very laudable purposes" the measure "would deal a mortal blow to the Public Works program which now stands between three million people and starvation."

The Alliance leader said that he was denied an opportunity to appear before the Senate Committee on Unemployment which is headed by Byrnes to state his case, and he therefore released his statement to the press.

"This bill represents the political strategy of the Garner-Harrison

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## Soviet Plans Production Boost of 65 Per Cent

Manuilsky Report Also Adopted; Kaganovich Speaks on Industry

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, March 14.—Capital construction in the Soviet Union will be stepped up 65 per cent during the Third Five-Year Plan as compared with the 1937-1938 period, Vyacheslav Molotov, member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, tonight told a cheering audience of 2,000 delegates and 1,000 visitors at the 18th Communist Party Congress.

The stupendous sum of 180,000,000 rubles (approximately \$25,000,000,000) will be spent during the period of the Third Five-Year Plan for new factories, mines, railways and other industrial outlays, Molotov said.

As Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R.—the equivalent of a Premiership—Molotov will be in direct charge of carrying through this great assignment to the people of the Soviet Union.

"The distinguishing feature of the new plan is not only in this tremendous increase in volume," Molotov told the rapidly listening audience in the Kremlin's White Hall.

### PRODUCTION FOR PEOPLE

"Bold, but carefully planned, changes in the distribution of the nation's productive forces, with increased relative importance to the chemical and non-ferrous metal industries, colossal development of the machine tool industry, maximum utilization of all local resources, and the introduction of modern equipment in railway transport and all features of the Third Five-Year Plan which make it a gigantic step forward in carrying through the slogan of overhauling and outstripping the most advanced capitalist countries in volume of production."

In this connection Molotov particularly stressed the danger from "dizziness from success."

"We should not satisfy ourselves merely with what we have already achieved," he said, "but must push forward with a concrete plan."

"The key to the fulfillment of this gigantic program lies in the application of Lenin's thesis on a constant increase of labor productivity of the citizens of the socialist society, in which each individual in working for society works for himself."

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## Lehman Attacks Tory Distortion Of State Costs

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Governor Lehman declared today that the operating cost of New York State's government "is actually among the lowest anywhere in this country."

He made the statement in reply to bulletins of the "New York State Bureau of Governmental Research," a private tory organization, which inferred that operating costs of New York's government "were greater than those of most other states."

The Governor attacked the reactionary organization's statement issued simultaneously with the public hearing on the Administration's \$415,000,000 and \$64,000,000 tax program Feb. 22.

## Cardenas Meets With Richberg On Oil Dispute

MEXICO CITY, March 14. (UP)—President Lazaro Cardenas and Donald R. Richberg, representing American and British oil firms whose properties were expropriated last March, conferred again today in an effort to settle the year-old dispute between the companies and the government.

It is well known that the sponsors of the bill have been in the forefront of the attempt to drastically reduce the funds available for the Works Program, he said, "and it is therefore reasonable to believe that they had in mind a

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## HITLER TAKES CZECHOSLOVAKIA; HUNGARY MARCHES INTO RUTHENIA; CHAMBERLAIN GIVES SILENT ASSENT

### It Was Once Czechoslovakia!



The above map of Czechoslovakia shows the process by which the Nazis destroyed this republic's independence. The dark areas were severed from the Czech Republic after the Munich conference. Then Hungary, with the help of Nazi Germany, took the lower portions of Slovakia, and Poland got the Teschen areas to the north in Moravia. Now the Nazis dominate Bohemia and Moravia, and are masters in Slovakia and Ruthenia (so-called Carpatho-Ukraine) by setting up puppet states, very much on the order of Manchukuo, created by Japan to dominate Manchuria and to invade the rest of China. Thus the former Czechoslovakia becomes a sort of Central European colonial domain of the Nazis for extension of the fascist war plans against all the democracies.

## FDR Urges Fund to Defend Panama Canal

### Welles Endorses Plan to Aid Latin-American Defense

WASHINGTON, March 14 (UP)—

President Roosevelt today asked Congress for an emergency appropriation of \$14,700,000 to begin bolstering Panama Canal fortifications as part of a two-year program to make the inter-oceanic "life-line" impregnable in case of war.

His request was made after he conferred with Secretary of War Harry Woodring, Gov. C. S. Ridley of the Canal Zone and Acting Budget Director Daniel W. Bell. The President also asked authority to construct for an additional \$2,300,000 of buildings to house more soldiers at the canal.

Shortly before Mr. Roosevelt made his request, Senate conferees on the expansion measure scuttled the Barkley labor amendment.

The decision to abandon Barkley's original amendment, along with an administration-approved modification, was reached by Senators M. M. Logan, D., Ky., and Warren R. Austin, R., Vt., after a fight with House members. The third Senate conferee, J. Hamilton Lewis, D., Ill., voted to retain the Barkley proposal which would have barred contracts to firms violating the Wagner Labor Relations Act.

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## Chamberlain-Daladier Continue Munich Role In Hitler Czech Grab

### British, French Tories Silent on Latest War Move

By Nazis; Chamberlain Dodges Quiz By Attlee, Labor Member, on Position

LONDON, March 14 (UP)—Great Britain and France today assumed an attitude of studied aloofness from the further dismemberment of Czechoslovakia.

Both made it plain, either by forthright assertion or passive acquiescence, that they considered the situation in mid-European no affair of theirs.

Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, who together with French Premier Edouard Daladier guaranteed the territorial integrity of the

REPORT CZECH CABINET ARRIVED IN BRITAIN

CROYDON, England, March 14 (UP)—Eleven passengers believed to be members and functionaries of the Czech government which resigned earlier in the day arrived here tonight aboard a chartered Dutch airliner.

In an interview with the United

Press, Pittman said that the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia under pressure from Hitler, was "no surprise to me."

The Administration's spokesman on foreign affairs in Congress said that Hitler's method is to "divide up countries, thus weakening each and asserting domination."

He added that "just as Hitler is moving to the East, so is Japan moving very slowly but nevertheless moving toward the southern Pacific."

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## Art Shields Safe; To Be Deported From Spain; State Dept. Aids in Release

Art Shields is safe. If all goes well, the Daily Worker will soon see the first eye-witness true story of the past ten hectic days in central Spain.

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Earlier Monday, Clarence Hathaway, Daily Worker Editor-in-Chief, has asked the State Department for the "help of American consular representatives to locate Mr. Shields."

"Our correspondent . . . has not been heard from since Saturday, March 4th," Hathaway wired. "We have cabled repeatedly but messages are reported undelivered."

SUMMER WELLES REPLIES

Sumner Welles, Acting Secretary of State, answered: "Inquiry being made of American Vice-Consul at Valencia by cable."

Again yesterday, the Daily Worker reported, quoting reports of Art's arrest and requesting "assistance confirming Shields' safety."

ART SHIELDS

### Weather

Local—Increasing cloudiness with slowly rising temperatures today; snow or rain beginning in the afternoon or tonight.

## Stormtroopers Grab Rich Industrial Area as Prague Gives In

## Berlin Gives Its O.K. as Budapest Army Moves Toward Poland

PRAGUE, March 14 (UPI)—German Nazi troops led by tanks tonight marched into Czechoslovakia.

A gray-green line of Reichswehr soldiers and Nazi stormtroopers crossed the northern frontier of Czechoslovakia's Moravia province at 5 P.M. and occupied the rich steel basin and communications center of Machrisch-Ostrau.

The town is five miles from the junction of the Czech, Polish and German frontiers.

The Nazi forces occupied Machrisch-Ostrau (Moravsko-Ostrava) and the town of Radamitz, then struck south and east for 40 miles to the

# Browder to Invite Questions on Soviet Economy at Rally Tonight

## BRITISH PLEA ASKS U. S. AID SPANISH REFUGEE CHILDREN

Foster Parents Aid Group Gets Joint Appeal From Priestly, Author and Bartlett M. P.; Tell Of Care for Children in Special Colonies

A joint appeal signed by J. B. Priestly, British author, and Vernon Bartlett, M. P., calling upon Americans to help preserve the lives of the Spanish refugee children has just been received by the Foster Parents Plan for Children in Spain, Eric G. Muggeridge, executive secretary, announced yesterday.

## FDR Demands Congress Action on Relief Funds

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on the sub-committee to stall for time almost indefinitely unless the House rejects the Cox resolution for a sweeping investigation of WPA.

### NO NEW DEAL RETREAT

In his message, the President bluntly told the reactionaries in Congress that the New Deal does not intend to retreat from its policy of providing for the unemployed.

"For more than six years," he said, "it has been the definite policy of the President and the Congress that needy persons, out of work should not be allowed to starve; that it was an obligation of the Federal government to give work to those able to work and the obligation of state and local government and of private charities to take care of those needy persons who are unable to work."

"That policy, I am more than ever confident, is right. It should not be abandoned now."

In an indirect slap at the Tory economy bloc which wishes to cut relief in the name of efficiency, the President said:

"It is wholly within the right of any and all of us to study and work for the greater efficiency of government. For several years intensive study has been given to the problems of relief in all its forms; additional studies are proper."

### SAYS TORIES TO BLAME

"But the government of the United States is faced today with a condition and not a theory. The insufficiency of the money appropriated will compel the administrator to discharge about a million and a quarter actual workers in the immediate future."

"Therefore, the responsibility for the situation in which all of these people will find themselves during the coming three months rests of necessity within the decision of the Congress of the United States."

The President declared that a "very serious situation" now exists as a result of Congress in appropriating only \$725,000,000 in February for the remainder of the fiscal year until June 30 instead of the \$755,000,000 he requested.

He said that "there has been no substantial change in the conditions of unemployment" since his first relief message early in January and his special message of February 7, calling attention to the pressing need for another \$75,000,000.

"On the contrary," he continued, "recent data have become available substantiating the real need for additional appropriation of \$150,000,000."

The President said that despite the fact that WPA has maintained its rolls intact at close to 3,000,000 during the winter months the list of those certified for WPA and waiting for jobs has increased from 750,000 to 850,000. Even this figure, he said, does not represent the "total needs."

He defended WPA against charges of inefficiency by pointing to the "cold facts" of a break-down of expenditures which showed that of every \$100, \$86 is spent directly in wages, only \$3.50 in administrative overhead and \$10.50 in materials.

### PROVES RELIEF NEEDS

A checkup on the needs of those on the rolls, the President continued, proved that those who do not actually need WPA jobs "will not exceed 5 per cent and may be considerably less."

If Congress does not appropriate the necessary \$150,000,000, the President said, \$400,000 will have to be laid off on April 1, \$60,000 on May 1, and a still further reduction of more than 200,000 will have to be made early in June."

Majority leader Barkley said that the President's message "makes the need for the appropriation clear, and has fulfilled completely the requirement that if he asks for an additional appropriation he should state the reasons for it."

Barkley urged speedy action and said: "I see no reason for lengthy hearings."

## DETROIT PLANT RECOGNIZES CIO-AUTO UNION

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last major refuge of the open shop must be brought within the union fold. The Ford workers must be given the same privilege and liberty that other auto workers have already won.

"Competitive parts plants that supply the auto industry must also be organized as part of the program that lies ahead of the UAW. These non-organized plants now tend to keep down the standards in the union plants, and they must be brought within the union fold."

"We of the UAW also look ahead to extending the full benefits of union protection to our Canadian brothers. Canadian workers suffer from tariff discrimination and lack of legal protection in their right to organize. There is also a big job of organizing to be done in Canada, not only of the auto workers but of all workers."

**SUSPEND MARTINITES**

Local No. 76 of Oakland, California, suspended for 99 years Lemire R. Oliver and Frank C. Colgrave for attending Homer Martin's meeting in Detroit. Motor Products Local 203 of Detroit suspended its president, Fred Durance, and recording secretary, Joe Green, on charges of dual unionism and participation in Martin's meeting. Herron and Zimmer, Local 165, Detroit, voted unanimously to send its delegates to the Cleveland convention.

The international executive board session in Cleveland named the convention committees as follows: credentials, constitution, organization, competitive plants, resolutions, rules, education, union label and grievance.

Each committee consists of nine members selected from the list of elected delegates to the convention. The credentials committee will meet on March 17, the resolutions and competitive plant committees on March 24 and the rest when the convention opens. Edward Levinson, publicity director of the UAW, in the official organ of the union, the United Automobile Worker, describes the activities of the anti-union agent, Jay Lovestone, in the following way: "Jay Lovestone is head of the Independent Communist Labor League. The only time Lovestone ever had any influence in the labor movement before Martin took him or as finger-man and advisor, was when the New York Joint Board of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union came under the influence of Lovestone in 1926. The garment strike went on for more than 20 weeks."

"Almost \$5,000,000 was spent, most of it never accounted for. Lovestone's followers employed gangsters by the hundred, among them Little Augie and Jack (Legs) Diamond. Lovestone's men tried to have Arnold Rothstein, a gambler since slain by a fellow-gangster, arbitrate the strike. The strike was lost. Soon after Lovestone was booted out of all influence in the labor movement—and he never came back until Martin used him."

**DINNER-FORUM ON SPAIN TO HONOR SHEEAN**

More than a thousand persons will attend a Dinner-Forum on "The Spanish Conflict and Its International Significance" at the Hotel Commodore tomorrow in honor of Vincent Sheean, noted author, the Emergency Committee for Aid to Republican Spain announced today. Eight hundred paid reservations have already been received.

The round table discussion will feature Sheean; W. H. Auden, brilliant young English poet; Dorothy Parker; Ralph Bates, author of the best seller, "Siococo"; Robert Dell, Geneva correspondent of the Manchester Guardian; George Seelos, author of "Lords of the Press" and other well-known books; Leland Stowe, writer for the New York Herald-Tribune; Ernst Toller, refugee writer and lecturer; and Jay Allen, well-known journalist.

**PEACE LEAGUE HOLDS RALLY ON SPANISH SITUATION TODAY**

A mass meeting to analyze and correctly evaluate the present situation in Spain will be held tomorrow at P. S. 98, East 10th St., at 8:30 under the auspices of the Midtown Branch of the American League for Peace and Democracy.

The speakers will be: Bill Ellis, Spanish vet, who will talk on "An Analysis of Spain Today"; Rev. Frank Hutcheson, of the American League; Dr. Oakley Johnson, former City College professor and well-known lecturer and author; and Dr. Edward Barsky, former chief doctor of all American hospitals in Spain.

**USSR Prepares To Receive New U. S. Ambassador**

MOSCOW, March 14 (UP)—The government completed preparations today for the reception of the new ambassador from the United States, Laurence A. Steinhardt.

## ALBANY TORIES KILL ALL BILLS TO BAN ANTI-NEGRO DISCRIMINATION

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, March 14.—Following a public hearing on anti-discrimination bills today, the Assembly Judiciary Committee killed all bills to implement the equal rights amendment to the Constitution adopted by the people this fall.

The measures guillotined by the Republican-dominated committee were the Breitbill bill which makes it unlawful for public utilities to deny employment for reasons of race, color or creed; the Goldberg bill which prohibits discrimination in renting or leasing of homes; the Kelly bill voiding discriminatory contracts; and the Garcia-Rivera providing for equal treatment in the giving of relief.

Not a member of the Republican-dominated Assembly committee was present at the hearing today, indicating that they had previously decided to kill these vitally needed measures. The affront to the Negro

delegations and others who attended the hearing at considerable inconvenience and expense is regarded as unparalleled in its cynicism and contempt for minorities.

Public utilities were charged at the hearing with refusal to employ Negroes and other minorities.

Speakers representing every race, color and creed told the joint Senate and Assembly Judiciary Committee that they were strongly in favor of the Breitbill-Esquivel bill which penalizes discrimination by business firms and provides for redress.

Other bills before the committee would have outlawed discrimination in housing, relief, education, public employment and contracts. These were introduced to effectuate the newly adopted civil rights amendment to the Constitution.

In urging adoption of the legislation speakers emphasized that the practice of political democracy rests

upon the equal treatment of minorities.

Describing the sufferings and hardships of the Negro people in particular, they called special attention to economic discrimination by public utilities. They declared that since utilities have a monopoly of public patronage and are regulated by the state, severe penalties should be imposed to prevent discrimination. The New York Telephone Company, Consolidated Edison and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company were named among those corporations who flatly refuse to employ Negroes. The Breitbill-Goldberg bill would penalize any public utility not less than one thousand dollars for each case of discrimination, the money to be recovered by the person aggrieved.

Isidore Begun, Legislative representative of the Communist Party, in endorsing the proposed legislation, declared that the test of Americanism is not a vote on a McNaboe red-baiting measure but on this type of bill. He declared that it was a source of disappointment to the Communist Party that a hearing on legislation which aims to wipe out vestiges of slavery and feudalism has not been brought out every patriotic group.

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# SENATE PASSES UN-AMERICAN McNABOE BILL

Three Democrats Join Tammanyite Sponsor and Republicans to O.K. Red-Baiting by Slim Majority; Opposition Girds for Fight

ALBANY, March 14.—Vetoed last year by Gov. Herbert H. Lehman as a violation of constitutional rights, the notorious red-baiting McNaboe bill, allegedly designed to bar Communists and persons advocating overthrow of the government from civil service positions and teaching jobs, was approved by the State Senate today.

It was the identical un-American bill as proposed last year by McNaboe, which aroused a storm of protest leading to its defeat. The proposed bill was approved last night by a close Senate vote of 27 to 20, and sent to the Assembly.

Four Democrats lined up with 23 Republicans in backing the notorious measure.

The Democrats, besides McNaboe, were Senators Elmer Quinn, Charles D. Perry, Rae Egbert, all Tammanyites.

The smoke-screen bill, while specifically naming Communists, has been exposed from innumerable sources as actually being aimed at illegally barring all progressives and liberals from civil service and teaching positions, and if put into effect, would lead to a virtual witch-hunt led by reactionaries throughout the state.

## NO BAR TO NAZIS

Significantly, the McNaboe measure made no mention of Nazi or fascist elements in the civil service or teaching staffs in the schools.

Meanwhile, the Devany bill, a similar measure, more cleverly phrased was advanced to the order of final passage today in the Assembly.

Labor organizations and progressive circles meanwhile girded to fight both the McNaboes and Devany measures, and bring them to the same deserved end as that reached last year by McNaboe's bill.

The Devany bill, naming no specific groups, would also bar from employment in civil service and schools all persons "advocating violent overthrow of the government."

One Democrat and Oscar Garcia-Rivera, ALP, voted in opposition to the bill.

They were introduced by Sen. Joseph Esquivel and Assemblyman Charles Breitbarth, Brooklyn Democrats; Assemblymen Ira Holley, New York Democrat; Oscar Garcia-Rivera, New York American-Laborite and Assemblyman Meyer Goldberg, New York Republican.

The Esquivel-Breitbarth measure seeks to prevent discrimination in employment by public utilities; the Holley Bill voids discriminatory contracts; the Goldberg Bill prevents discrimination in leasing homes, stores and seeking licenses and civil service appointments; and the Garcia-Rivera Bill prevents discrimination in administration of relief.

## BACK CONSUMERS BILL

On other phases of today's legislative action here, the American Labor Party gave its support to the Wagner Bill creating a consumers bureau in the Health Department to supervise registry of all proprietary foods, drugs, cosmetics and health devices.

George Marzine, ALP legislative representative, told the Assembly Public Health Committee at a public hearing today that the measure is "badly needed."

Stating that New York should take the leadership in regulating the proprietary food and drug industry, Marzin said:

"The Wagner Bill will set up an agency to act as a preventative authority to guard against the tragedies which have followed the unrestricted sale of drugs and cosmetics." The list of harmful drugs preparations now freely sold in the West, working on road gangs in the South, participating in strikes and labor conflicts in every section of the country. PAGES FROM A WORKER'S LIFE is truly the story of one of the American people."

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# LEADING AFL UNION BACKS UAW DEMANDS

## Electrical Union Wires Lewis Support on 6-hr, 5-day Week

One of the biggest local unions in the American Federation, Local No. 3, of the Electrical Workers Union, yesterday backed the CIO miners in their demands for a six hour, five day week.

Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., business manager of Local 3, in a telegram to John L. Lewis, who is currently attending both the CIO AL unity talks and the United Mine Workers negotiations with the coal operators here, urged the miners to insist on the 6-hour 8-hour week.

Mr. Van Arsdale announced that the telegram was written by Local 3 General Executive Board and "unanimously voted upon" by the 16,500 union electrical workers in the AFL local.

The telegram, addressed to Lewis, as President of the Wage Scale Committee of the United Mine Workers, read:

"A practical solution for unemployment is the six-hour day, five-day, thirty-hour week. We urge you to insist upon its adoption for the United Mine Workers of America. The adoption of the six-hour day, in addition to spreading employment amongst the Mine Workers will give impetus to the other Unions to establish the six-hour day."

"Local Union No. 3 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers have been enjoying the six-hour day, thirty-hour week for three years."

## 200 in Bedford Meeting Protest Police Army

Two hundred Negro and white residents of the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn met in a mass meeting, called by the Communist Party, on Friday, March 9, at the Howland Studios to protest the assignment of additional police to the area on the pretext of a crime wave.

Mrs. E. Wright, W. Garfield L. Kares and Robert Campbell pointed out to the crowd that the real purpose behind the cry of "crime" was to drive Negroes from the community, raise the rents of the white residents, and oppose a low-cost housing project.

## U. S. Agents Seize \$55,000 Worth of Opium at Boston

WASHINGTON, March 14 (UP).—Chief Treasury Agent Elmer L. Irey today announced seizure of 55 pounds of crude opium valued at \$55,000 aboard the American steamer Exeter at Boston.

The seizure was the third largest in the past 18 months.

Treasury agents held for questioning Angelo Planza, a pantryman on the vessel. They said the opium was sacred in empty beer and milk cans concealed under a potato locker. The Exeter's last port was Marseilles.

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## Criminal Charges Likely in Bank Of America Case

WASHINGTON, March 14 (UP).—The Securities and Exchange Commission said today, in a brief filed with the district court of appeals, that its investigation of the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association "may yet lead to criminal prosecution."

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## New England Truck Strike Is Postponed

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 14 (UP).—A threatened strike of 6,000 truck drivers in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island was postponed indefinitely today. The postponement was announced by Chester G. Fitzpatrick, chairman of the union negotiation committee, only a few hours before the scheduled starting hour of the strike.

Fitzpatrick left for Worcester to confer with representatives of 1,200 employers after a three-hour session with other officials of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Stablemen and Helpers of America, an American Federation of Labor affiliate. A sub-committee remained in conference.

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"Almost every medical society can give complete details on these drugs. In the past we have had cosmetics which resulted in the permanent disfigurement of the unfortunate users. These products were forced off the market only through long and expensive suits."

Demands for maintenance of present state aid to education was made today to legislative leaders acting Gov. Lehman's \$415,000 budget and \$84,000 tax programs.

A delegation from the Teachers' Union demanded maintenance of State aid, asserting that any reduction would impair educational standards.

Lehman said the measure would force the state to borrow additional funds in advance of tax collections.

The Assembly today meanwhile defeated the Rapp Bill which would have exempted two New York City railroads from provisions of the State full crew law.

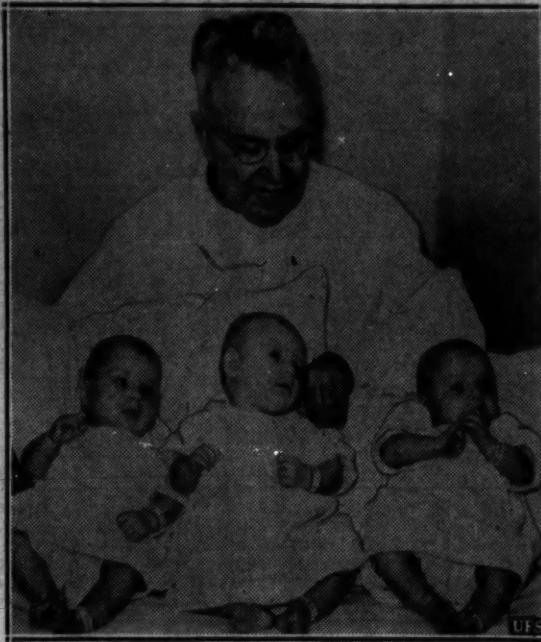
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## Ben Davis to Speak At Swing Club Mar. 19

The Anniversary of the March 19 Outbreak in Harlem will be the topic of an address by Ben Davis, noted Negro Communist writer and member of the staff of the Daily Worker, to be delivered at the Harlem Swing Club, 41 West 12th St., on that date.

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## Doctor Goes Visiting



DURING A RECENT visit to Ottawa, Dr. Allan Roy Dafoe, physician to the Dionne quintuplets, calls on Canada's newest triplets, Gladys, Grace and Gail Biron, born Dec. 7, 1938.

## Wagner Act Revision Hearing to Be Held

### Senate Labor Committee Decides on Public Sessions on Amendment Proposals; Delay Fixing Date; Tory Motion Defeated

WASHINGTON, March 14 (UP).—The Senate Labor Committee today decided to hold public hearings on proposed amendments to the National Labor Relations Act, but delayed fixing a date for the hearings.

Sen. Allen J. Ellender, D. La., sponsored the motion to defer setting a date for the hearings until March 21. He urged the delay to see whether the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations make progress in their peace negotiations in the interim.

Wachtel Indicates Steady Opposition To McNaboe Measure

Replying to a request from the Communist Party of the Third Assembly District for a statement of policy on the notoriously reactionary McNaboe - Devany Resolution recently reintroduced into the N. Y. State Legislature, Arthur Wachtel, progressive Bronx Assemblyman from the Third A. D., reaffirmed his opposition to all reactionary legislation.

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## Official Admits Passing Buck in Waterbury Fraud

WATERBURY, Conn., March 14 (UP).—James P. Purcell, chief accountant in the Waterbury comptroller's office, testified today at the corruption trial of Mayor T. Frank Hayes and 22 others that he left to "young ladies" in his department the responsibility of supervising warrant sheets subsequently found to contain illegal entries for unapproved expenditures totaling nearly \$2,500,000.

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# 'Croppers Reorganize To Fight Terror in Southern Missouri'

**Landlord Elements in STFU Leadership Are Ousted**

By Al Murphy

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 14.—Since the southeastern Missouri evicted sharecroppers staged their militant exodus to the highways early in January when they protested landlord robbery and demanded better wages for their labor, a reign of landlord terrorism against them has increased.

Despite the terror against them and fresh attempts on the part of the planters to give them the "run around," a long line of straggling cars loaded with white and Negro delegates from the locals of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union met in convention here Sunday and established a state organization directly affiliated with the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers of America which is affiliated with the CIO.

After delegates after delegate rose to tell of the sufferings among those who are still "camping out," the convention elected a committee of six sharecroppers to go to Washington to discuss their miserable plight with the nation's high officials toward the end that immediate relief will be forthcoming. It was disclosed that despite the investigations that have been conducted by F.B.I. agents in southeast Missouri, no material aid has been given them by the local authorities for almost two months. Death has already claimed one of the "homeless junction" members and several women are soon to become mothers. No medical aid is provided for them and the situation there is growing unbearable.

Delegates from fifteen of the union's twenty-one locals slipped through the police and state patrol guard. They told of the difficulties they had, tire punctures, no lights and break-downs on the way. Many of them who started out from the plantations early Saturday evening arrived in St. Louis at noon Sunday.

## BLOCK DELEGATES

A chartered bus load of 25 white and 30 Negro delegates enroute to the convention was halted by landlord officials as it was passing through Charleston, a landlord-controlled town. The delegates were questioned, searched and terrorized.

One of the white union leaders was forced out of the bus by the officials who pulled his shoes off and made him stand on the cold ground for hours. Unable to come by bus, some of the croppers went from place to place and secured enough funds and cars to ease through the small towns late at night while the authorities were asleep or "neglecting" their duty.

The fifty-two delegates attending the convention were from locals in seven counties in the state. The convention was held at the Amalgamated Workers Center, 1722 Washington Ave.

The convention was called as the result of the desire on the part of the overwhelming majority of the tenants and farmers union members to remain a part of the CIO. For many months the national leaders of the S.T.F.U. have been trying to tear the tenants away from the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers International Union and thus weaken the union and further deepen the split in the American labor movement. Owen H. Whitfield, Negro leader of the Missouri S.T.F.U. told the enthusiastic delegates that the S.T.F.U. national leaders had announced the withdrawal of the union from the CIO.

Whitfield declared:

"Action of the delegates here repudiates the attempt made by the national officers of the S.T.F.U. to split away from the CIO and the labor movement."

Donal Henderson, general president of the Cannery and Agricultural Workers CIO union said that the national officers of the S.T.F.U. had been suspended by the parent organization March 1. He added that the S.T.F.U. in Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma would be reorganized on a state-by-state basis.

## CONFIRMS SUSPENSION

The delegates at the convention voted unanimously to confirm the action of the CIO parent organization in suspending the S.T.F.U. national officers and to remain a part of the CIO and the working class movement. The convention produced a pile of evidence showing that ever since 1937, H. L. Mitchell, secretary-treasurer, and J. R. Butler, president of the S.T.F.U. have violated the international constitution and created confusion in the attempt to antagonize the S.T.F.U. members against the CIO. It was proven that the national president, J. R. Butler has been working in the interests of the rich planters against the evicted sharecroppers. He has been trying to solicit the names of the homeless sharecroppers and encourage them to go to the state of Mississippi to work for plantation owners under worse conditions than those under which they are working in Missouri. Delegates reported how they have been neglected by their national leaders and that they have had to look to St. Louis and other sources for help.



OWEN WHITFIELD

## Phila. Alliance Protests Bias at Charter Talks

### Reactionaries Favored At Hearings Watson Charges

PHILADELPHIA, March 14.—The Philadelphia Workers' Alliance, through its secretary-treasurer, Russell Watson, today registered a protest with Senator Stevenson on the manner in which hearings are being conducted on the proposed new City Charter.

Russell charged that the Workers' Alliance was ignored and not given an opportunity to speak on the proposed charter, although supporters of its revolutionary phases were given a full opportunity.

## Hotel Strike Spread Seen As Bosses Stall

### Negro-White Solidarity Is Feature of General Capital Walkout

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
WASHINGTON, March 14.—The general hotel strike was threatening to spread further today as the union made preparations for a walkout from the Washington Hotel.

This was the union's answer to the action of the hotel owners in rejecting the compromise proposal of United States Conciliator Steelman. After the hotel owners declared their uncompromising stand the strike may last indefinitely.

During the last few weeks the Communist Party members of Philadelphia have done exceptional work by more than doubling the circulation of the Daily Worker in their city. Individuals who are doing outstanding work in the present circulation drive will be awarded free admissions to the Daily Worker.

In addition to addresses by Minor and Mother Bloor, there will be entertainment, including an anti-Nazi sketch, "The Bishop of Master," presented by the New Theatre, and dances by Merle Hirsh and her Dance Group. Both the New Theatre and the Hirsh Dance Group are well known in the progressive movements.

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# MINERS DEMAND 'BETTER BREAK' IN NEW CONTRACT

New Agreement Asks 6-Hour Day, 30-Hour Week, 50 Cents a Day Increase and Guarantee of 200 Days' Work.

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selection of medical staffs and management of hospitals.

Stronger measures for safety provisions.

As he delved into these questions, Mr. Murray referred to life on the patch around the mine and the lot of the miners' family. He read government and union statistics to back every point, and cited labor standards in other industries to show that the coal miner is in the lowest income groups though he works the hardest and risks his very life.

## 482,000 AFFECTED

Present at the opening session of the Appalachian Joint Wage Conference were about 400 representatives of all districts of the U. M. W. A. and of their employers. About 482,000 miners are affected by the outcome.

On nomination of U. M. W. A. President John L. Lewis, Walter L. Robison, President of the Y. & O. Coal Co. of Ohio, was unanimously elected as chairman of the sessions; Thomas Kennedy, secretary-treasurer of the U. M. W. A., was named secretary on nomination of Mr. R. J. Ireland of the coal operators.

At 2 P. M. today, when the joint sessions resume, it is expected that the operators will give their answer to the demands of the miners. Judging by the rumors and claims emanating from their sources, an increase on the present 35-hour work week and a wage cut, will be asked.

"The bituminous industry for the past ten years has paid its workers an average of \$400 less than, not only the competing fuel industries, but of 15 or 16 other basic industries," Murray told the conference.

"The coal miner is entitled to at least as good a break in life as workers of any of these industries."

Last year, Murray said, mine workers in Appalachian districts earned an average of \$18.46 weekly or \$886.00 for the year after deductions for tools, powder and other equipment.

## 130,000 JOBLESS

During 1937, a high year for the industry, when 420,000,000 tons were produced, the average miner who worked, had only 206 days, while 130,000 had no work at all. Murray told the operators.

"The need of the six-hour day must be quite obvious to you first because of the nature of the work which the mine workers are required to perform," he said.

"Not only will the six-hour day reduce to a minimum the hazards incident to his employment, but it will also give an opportunity to spread work."

Anticipating the arguments of the operators, that the industry "can't stand" the added wage cut, and their claim of losses in 1937, he said, "I know that coal operators can't live on losses. Nor can the mine workers live on wind."

"The UMWA contends that if there is any chaos in the industry respecting its marketing practices, that chaos and dissension is directly attributable to a lack of proper organization among the coal operators," Murray said.

"Repercussions of the fight among yourselves are eventually felt in the mines and in the homes of miners."

**GUFFEY ACT SABOTAGED**

Murray charged "some" operators with failing to abide by the provisions of the Guffey Coal Act and attacking every attempt to stabilize the industry under it. He expressed hope that the present "cut-throat" situation would soon give way to a stabilization policy.

Among the sore spots of the mining town which Murray touched as he described the demands, was the medical situation, lack of safety enforcement, discrimination tricks against union men and the effect of mechanical loaders.

"Why shouldn't the mine workers be permitted to select a doctor, or medical facilities, if the mine worker is paying for them?" he said, reminding the operators that the cost of hospitalization is deducted from wages.

Murray declared that not only are doctors imposed upon miners inefficient, but they "have been used in some instances to deprive the miners of compensation by not telling of the true conditions of their health."

Similarly, Murray demanded a joint system for physical examinations on fitness to work so miners would not suffer discrimination through that agency.

## MACHINE EFFECT

Murray dwelt at length on how the machine loaders and conveyors are turning out to be a curse for miners, already displacing 29,000 hand loaders in 1938. He said the union does not oppose scientific progress.

"But when that machine is established the miner wants to be

protected as a citizen and a human being."

He sharply admonished the operators for forgetting the provision in the present agreement for a joint study of the effect of the mechanical loaders. Because the operators sabotaged that point, he said, the union carried through its own study, and found that in 1937 10.6 per cent of all coal loading has already been done through machines.

As he pictured the life in mining town, Murray told the operators that the UMWA statistical bureau found that in some parts, the cost of certain staple commodities was as much as from 44 to 61 per cent higher than in areas where company store conditions do not prevail. The same, he said, held on rent.

The miner has no paid vacation, yet, Murray read a list of the basic industries in which from 10 per cent to as high as 86 per cent of the workers receive paid vacations.

He pictured the "dull community life" at the mines and expressed the opinion that miners too are entitled to a vacation.

"Why not, gentlemen?" Murray asked as he turned to the operators.

After the statement of the operators today, the negotiations are expected to simmer down to closed discussions between small committees. An agreement must be reached by March 31, when the present contract expires.

## COUNCIL CURBS POWER TO PICK DUMP SITES

Says Tories to Blame if \$150,000,000 Request Is Rejected

After discussing garbage and kindred subjects for more than an hour, the City Council by a vote of 20 to 8, yesterday adopted a local law, sponsored by old Guard Bronx Democrat Charles E. Keegan, to curb the power of the Sanitation Commissioner in picking sites for refuse dumping.

Then the Council got down to the serious work of adopting the final piece of housing legislation required to get the steam shovels operating on the first municipal slum clearance project scheduled to be constructed on the lower East Side.

Exactly three minutes after a bill, introduced by Andrew B. Armstrong, Brooklyn Laborite, and Howard Spellman, Manhattan Democrat, to guarantee payment of interest and principal on housing bonds from money collected through occupancy tax levies was placed before the Council for a vote, it was declared passed unanimously.

This will release from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 for low-rent housing construction by the city.

**A.L.P. BILLS**

Bills and resolutions introduced during the Council session included:

1. A resolution by Laborite Louis Hollander asking the Housing Authority, Park Department, Department of Health and Department of Education to survey the fire-trap Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood, Brooklyn, and to take steps to properly house the Negro families living there.

2. A Labor Party bill for the erection of a \$48,000,000 city-owned power plant.

3. A series of three bills by Genevieve B. Earle, Fusionist, to regulate the use of lights on city streets and eliminate traffic signal confusion.

4. Two Labor Party bills: one requiring contractors doing business with the city to comply with provisions of the National and State Labor Relation Acts.

5. An A.L.P. resolution asking the State Legislature to increase State relief contributions from 40 to 60 per cent.

All these bills and resolutions were referred to committees.

## Bill to Legalize Mercy Deaths Is Cold Shoulder

ALBANY, March 14 (UP)—Forces seeking to legalize "mercy deaths" for persons with incurable diseases pushed a drive in the legislature today.

But legislators, generally, were opposed.

The National Society for the Legislation of Euthanasia, leader of the campaign, sent each member of the senate and assembly a letter urging support.

The letter included a copy of the Society's bill.

Many members of the assembly indicated they were in sympathy with various provisions of the Society's measures, but said they would not sponsor it.

"But when that machine is es-

## Set to Talk on New Contracts for Miners



JOHN L. LEWIS, United Mine Workers President, standing; sitting, Philip Murray, union vice-president who presented the demands yesterday; Charles Dorrance, operator of Fairmount, West Virginia, a member of the wage conference; Walter Robison, Ohio operator, chairman, and Thomas Kennedy, secretary-treasurer of the UA WA, who was elected secretary of the wages conference now in session at the Biltmore.

## Murray Presents Mine Union Demands at Coal Contract Talks

The following is the text of the provisions of the new contract presented by Philip Murray, vice-president of the United Mine Workers before the opening session of the Appalachian Joint Wage Conference at the Biltmore Hotel yesterday.

The International Policy Committee declares the recommendations contained herein to be the policy of the United Mine Workers of America.

This policy shall be a guide for all districts in the bituminous regions in the negotiating of wage agreements. It shall serve in lieu of all wage scale resolutions submitted to the International Policy Committee from the International Convention, District Conventions, or from any other source.

### Wage Proposals

#### 1. HOURS OF LABOR:

There shall be established a six-hour day, five-day week (thirty (30) hours a week) for all persons employed in and around the bituminous coal mines, with the following exceptions:

All mine workers engaged in the transportation of men and coal shall work the additional time necessary to handle man-trips and all coal in transit. Outside employees engaged in dumping, handling and preparation of coal and the manufacture of coke shall work the additional time necessary, not to exceed thirty (30) minutes, to dump and prepare the coal delivered to the tipple each day and complete the usual duties incidental to the operation of coke ovens. This rule shall not encourage the working of overtime except where it is necessary to take care of the conditions named. All time worked in excess of six hours a day shall be considered as overtime.

**2. RATE INCREASES:**

Combined cutting and loading rates shall be increased 15¢ a ton; 15¢ of this shall be added to the existing rates for loaders, and 2¢ shall be added to existing cutting rates.

**3. MECHANIZED MINING:**

Where coal is to be taken to cleaning or preparation plants, the run of face loading method shall prevail. All rejects clauses shall be eliminated from district agreements.

**4. GUARANTEED WORKING DAYS:**

Mine workers shall be guaranteed not less than two hundred (200) working days each year. Day and monthly men shall be paid at the regular rates of pay provided in the various district agreements, and tonnage men shall be paid at the rate of \$6.50 a day, for each day less than the guaranteed 200.

**5. VACATIONS:**

All men working in and around the mines shall be granted a two weeks' annual vacation with pay. Day men shall receive their regular rates of pay, and tonnage men shall be paid at the rate of \$6.50 a day for the vacation period.

**6. SENIORITY:**

On lay-offs for any reason, priority rights to jobs in the mine shall be given to employees on the basis of length of service. Following periods of general lay-offs and shutdowns for any reason preference shall be given: (a) older employees in point of service; (b) all employees on the payroll at the time of the original shut-down or lay-off; (c) when the selection of all employees on the payroll at the time of the shut-down or lay-off has been exhausted, the company may employ such additional men as may be required.

**7. SWING SHIFTS AND STAGED EMPLOYMENT:**

To protect the interests of mine workers where swing shifts or sys-

tems of staggered employment are practiced, districts shall effect agreements establishing seniority rights designed to discourage the practice of employing new crews, which could otherwise create unemployment.

**8. MEDICAL CARE AND HOSPITALIZATION IN MINING COMMUNITIES:**

Tragic inequality, inefficiency and dishonest practices in the rendition of medical care and hospitalization in mining communities require the consideration of the Appalachian Joint Conference. Abuses must be corrected and skillful and adequate medical services must be accorded.

Equal participation with the coal companies in the selection of physicians shall be accorded. Mine workers shall participate in the supervision of hospital, medical, surgical and nursing facilities, in all cases where they are financed through the medium of deductions from mine workers' pay.

**9. Physical Examinations:**

To discourage the practice of discrimination which is being exercised against Mine Workers, the Policy Committee declares that the entire question of physical examinations shall be made the subject of consideration in the Joint Conference.

**10. Safety:**

Operators shall permit inspection of their mines by inspectors of the United States Bureau of Mines and shall in no way attempt to limit the publication of the reports of inspection.

**11. Financial Responsibility:**

Each Association of Operators signatory to the agreement shall be financially responsible for all defalcations of Mine Workers' monies by all coal companies which are members of such Associations.

Each Operator's Association shall also be financially responsible if an operator member defaults in the payment of the checkoff to any district.

**12. Differentials:**

Any existing inequitable differentials, whether within or between districts, shall be eliminated.

**13. Mechanized Mining Commissions:**

The work of the Appalachian Joint Commission appointed to study the problems of wage rates, conditions of employment and displacement of Mine Workers shall be completed and reported to an Appalachian Joint Conference on Dec. 1, 1939. Adjustments found necessary as a result of these studies shall be made at that Joint Conference.

Joint Commissions established in districts outside of the Appalachian Region shall follow this same procedure.

**14. Recognition and Checkoff Clauses:**

The recognition clauses of the Appalachian Agreement and all district agreements shall be clarified.

**15. Standard Checkoff Clause:**

A standard checkoff clause shall be incorporated in the Appalachian Agreement and all district agreements.

**16. Miscellaneous Provisions:**

(a) Operators shall agree to comply with the provisions of the National Bituminous Coal Conservation Act of 1937.

(b) Operators shall include clauses to protect wage scales and conditions in leases whenever mines are let to any corporation, company, or individual for operating purposes.

(c) Equitable adjustment of house rents shall be made.

(d) Payment shall be made in cash or pay check, with consideration only for legitimate deductions.

(e) The operator shall be responsible for delivering cars to and from the miners' working places.

(f) Only union made explosives, mine supplies and tools shall be made available for us by Mine Workers.

(g) Foremen or employees who do not come within the jurisdiction of the wage agreement shall not perform the duties of maintenance, men or other mine workers on idle days, or at any other time. An agreed limitation of the number of men of the classification of "foremen" shall be included in the Appalachian Agreement.

(h) Suitable arrangements for the employment of umpires.

**16. District Conferences and Agreements:**

Joint conferences of districts in the Appalachian Region shall be held concurrently with the Appalachian Conference. All other districts shall meet in joint conferences after the Appalachian Agreement is negotiated, for the purpose of negotiating wage agreements on the basis of this International Policy.

**17. Term of Agreement:**

The Appalachian Wage Agreement, and all incidental district agreements, shall be for a period of two years, and shall terminate on March 31, 1941.

**United Mine Workers of America**

John L. Lewis, President, Philip Murray, Vice-President, Thomas Kennedy, Sec.-Treasurer.

## 'It's Getting Fair and Warmer'



PARKED CAR in the back yard of a North Quincy, Mass., house shows signs of advancing spring weather. It was snowed in during the snowstorm that fell on the anniversary of the world-famous blizzard of 1888.

## LASSER CITES DANGER TO U.S. IN BYRNES BILL

Alliance Head Reveals Disaster in Merger of Relief Agencies

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## Hitler's Accomplices Against Czechoslovakia

The role of rapacious German fascism in destroying Czechoslovakia weakened and outraged by the Munich treachery, occupies considerable space in the capitalist press. But the more ominous part played by Premier Neville Chamberlain of Great Britain and Messrs. Daladier and Bonnet of France is either glossed over or entirely hidden by the reactionary newspapers in the United States whose aims, in this respect, are dangerously identical with the British and French Tory abettors of fascism.

For instance, on October 4, soon after the Munich conference, when Chamberlain returned from the gory work of having first mangled Czechoslovakia, in order to mislead the British people concerning the independence of the remnants of Czechoslovakia, he authorized Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for Coordination of Defense, to make the following statement:

"A formal treaty of guarantees has not yet been drawn up, but the government feels under an obligation to Czechoslovakia to treat the guarantees as being now in force."

This promise was as false as the propaganda of Hitler against all democratic peoples. When the full truth is made known, the peace-loving people will learn that the exaggerated unconcern of the British Tories over the fate of Czechoslovakia arose from a previous understanding between the British and French reactionaries and the Nazis for the final razing of Czechoslovakia's independence.

It was, no doubt, with information of such collaboration in mind that the New York Times' correspondent in Berlin, Otto D. Tolischus, wrote:

"Any intervention on the part of London or Paris, which at Munich offered to guarantee the new borders of Czechoslovakia in return for her surrender but never did, is held out of the question."

No wonder, therefore, when the Nazi troops assisted by the Hungarian mercenaries were slaughtering Czechoslovak people that Hitler's American publicity agent, William Randolph Hearst, published a blaring editorial in his newspaper entitled, "Chamberlain the Apostle of Peace."

Why do these reactionary gentlemen of Great Britain and France, assisted by the Hearsts and Hoovers of the United States, so welcome the savage annihilation of the Czechoslovak republic? They hope that by devastating Czechoslovakia, Hitler will have a clearer road to the East.

But fascism's major unfinished business is in the West. Mussolini's troops are in Spain at the French frontiers, and Italian fascist demands for French territory are being pressed against the Pao government. The war-makers of the Rome-Einsatz know that "appeasement" and "concessions" were obtained thus far from the Chamberlains and Daladiers through war threats and easy conquest. This inspires fascism, as after the first Munich treachery, to the extension of its imperialist war objectives against Great Britain and France and against the United States as well.

By their new treachery in Czechoslovakia, the Chamberlains and Daladiers are magnifying the danger of war against all democratic peoples.

## South American Aid To U. S. Security

Yesterday Senator Key Pittman introduced a resolution to permit Central and South American countries to purchase modern and up-to-date armaments directly from the War and Navy Departments of this country.

This resolution follows a U. S.-Brazil trade and credit agreement.

The Pittman resolution does not come too soon.

Many people are beginning to see that a Franco Spain, with German and Italian domination of Spanish islands and colonies uncomfortably near the Western Hemisphere, brings the fascist war danger right up to the borders of the United States.

It would be very hard to estimate accurately just how much the vicious Tory opposition to President Roosevelt's anti-fascist foreign policy and defense program encouraged Hitler to his fiendish attack on the Czechoslovak Republic. But let there be no doubt that the reactionaries in this country are worth many army divisions to the fascist warmakers.

And the most dangerous aspect of this Chamberlain-inspired drive against the New Deal peace and defense measures is that it spreads the blight of the Anglo-French Tory treachery over the United States and imperils our security.

## The President Calls for Action

The President's relief message yesterday was a hard-hitting blow in the cause of recovery.

The President spoke sharply and to the point. He knows that the facts are with him and that the people are with him too.

Opposing him is a group of cold-blooded Tories who, under the usurped title of "economy bloc," are ready to cause widespread suffering and economic crisis.

As the President stated yesterday, unless Congress restores the \$150,000,000 lopped off from the original bill, 1,200,000 WPA workers will be fired starting April 1. Including the dependents of the dismissed workers, 5,000,000 people in all will have their buying power suddenly cut off.

"I cannot bring myself to believe that these discharged men and women will contribute to the prosperity of the United States, nor do I believe that the merchants and landlords they are now dealing with will become more prosperous when their trade ceases," Mr. Roosevelt declared.

In the fundamental sense, the real drive for economy is being conducted not by the Tories but by the President himself. Underlying his message is the principle of economy through recovery—and recovery through federal assistance and action where needed.

The unions and other organizations of the people came within a single vote of preventing the original cut in the WPA bill. If they redouble their efforts now, the country can be saved from the terrible consequences that would come with making five million Americans penniless overnight.

## Reichmarks Into Dollars

Hearst Magazines, Inc., yesterday reported a net profit of \$3,355,448 for 1938 on Good Housekeeping, Cosmopolitan, Harper's Bazaar and Motor Magazine. People possessed of normal curiosity would undoubtedly be interested to know just what proportion of the gross income came from Hitler in payment for Nazi publicity in the Hearst publications.

## The Daily News—

### Un-American

We turn the spotlights again on the New York Daily News.

It is pulling some of its un-American tricks again, which, if they can get away with it, would seriously endanger the peace and safety of the United States.

On Monday, the News, sort of innocent like, ran a full column of the purest pro-Japanese propaganda disguised as a letter from a Japanese business man. The Daily News praises this pro-Japanese propaganda, which justifies the Japanese rape of China as "realistic and intelligent." The "punch line" of the Daily News editorial is that America ought to help Japan swallow China because this would keep Japan from attacking the United States—"Japan doesn't have to ogle California or the Philippines any more" once they grasp Northern China.

This is, of course, the typical Nazi trap in which the News is trying to trip the American people. If the News wants to bribe the Japanese war machine with the blood of China, then why did the Daily News offer the Philippine Islands to Japan in a recent editorial?

On March 10, the News tried to trick America into becoming a partner with Hitler using the same fake argument—that if we help rape Roumania or the Ukraine, Hitler will reward us by letting America alone—for a while.

As Stalin showed in his Monday speech, this is the chloroform with which Fascism has been able to grab Ethiopia, Czechoslovakia, Austria, and now Spain, promising all the while to let the democracies alone. France and America are next, as witness their spy rings and propaganda against us in South America.

The Daily News is trying to trick the United States into this Chamberlain swamp. This explains its anti-Semitism. The readers of the News ought to smoke its editors out into the open. The Daily News is gambling with the safety of their families.

## The Grand Duke Goes to Work

The Grand Duke Vladimir, 22-year-old claimant to the long-vanished Russian throne, has announced to the world that he has gone to work in a Diesel motor factory in England. Like his other relatives resident in Paris and Harbin, he has been waiting for years for the Soviet Government to "collapse." The Russian people have cruelly disappointed him.

The Grand Duke is rather apologetic about really going to work. He explains in extenuation that "all Russian youths in exile should try to extend their knowledge and experience to the fullest possible limit, for Russia will need our practical experience."

There's no question but what a little manual labor will do the Grand Duke good—as it has so many others of his social set. But the chance of his future mechanical "gifts" being used on Soviet soil is about as great as the proverbial snowball in hell.

## AN UPHILL DRAG

by Ellis



## Jackson Won Political Victories By Bold Course Against Reaction

Today, March 15, is the anniversary of the birth of Andrew Jackson who was born on this day, 1767 and died June 8, 1845. We present the following article as being of special interest in commemoration of this great American who led a democratic movement very similar to the struggle against present-day Hooverism.—Editor.

By Milton Howard

It was two years after Jackson had been elected President that the anti-Jackson Party made an open bid in the Senate to Calhoun, Jackson's Vice-President. They had both been elected within the great upsurge of American democracy of the 1828 elections.

"The appeal was unnecessary," writes the historian Claude Bowers, "for Calhoun and his friends were already hostile to the administration. But it is historically interesting in that it shows cleverness of the National Republicans, soon to adopt the name of the Whigs, in undertaking to coalesce with all the elements of the Opposition (within Jackson's party), no matter how divergent, or even inconsistent with the causes leading to disaffection." (Party Struggles of the Jackson Period, p. 184.)

The realignment of political forces was taking place, then, in the midst of Jackson's first administration. His enemies were just as numerous within his own party as without. One of his deadliest enemies was his own Vice-President, later to break from the Democratic Party to form a new one with Clay, the National Republican leader of the Northern manufacturing interests.

**LOOKED TO THE PEOPLE**  
Jackson won his fight against seemingly invincible enemies, won because he did not flinch from the challenge. He did not heed the warnings of his advisers to retreat; he knew that he could win only by fulfilling the democratic hopes of the mechanics and farmers who had elected him in the first place. "As a candidate his appeal had been to the people. As a President he proposed to look to the same quarter." (Bowers, p. 81.)

The irony is that for the great battles of his second election campaign in 1832, it was not Jackson but his reactionary enemies, Clay and Calhoun, who forced the issues and picked the battleground on which to fight. They were confident they could defeat this new democracy of an aroused people. The financial power of the bank and the arrogance of State's Rights—these were the banners under which the unprincipled reactionary coalition of the Northern Clay and the Southern Calhoun raised its weapons against Jacksonian Democracy.

**THE BANK ISSUE**

Clay deliberately maneuvered to get the Bank Bill (giving the financial clique a monopoly over the nation's economic life) passed in Congress so that Jackson would have to sign it, or veto it. If he signed it, Clay reckoned, this would stimulate a revolution among Jackson's followers on which the Clay-Calhoun coalition could capitalize. If Jackson vetoed the Bank Bill, he would then find himself

opposed by the most powerful political and financial interests in the country. Such was the strategy. It is the Tory strategy which depends for its success on the wavering and weaknesses of its target. But Jackson was not that kind of target.

"I will prove to them that I will never flinch, that they were mistaken when they expected me to act upon me with such considerations," he remarked grimly to his close circle after he had been informed of the Calhoun-Clay strategy. Instead of retreating to the Right, he struck with a new boldness to the Left, rejecting all advice to compromise or give way. "The old school politicians still gauged public opinion by the roll-calls in Congress. The new school

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## Change the World



'Evil Eye Finkle'  
Just What He Can  
And Cannot Do

By MIKE GOLD

THERE are some mighty queer ways of living by your wits, including the fine art of banking, but who along Broadway, that home of queer racketeers, would challenge "Evil Eye Finkle?"

This is a wise mug who has impressed various leaders in the sports world with the notion that he can jinx any prize fighter and make him lose his bout. So regularly, Evil Eye Finkle is hired to take a ringside seat and stare long and steadily at the enemy until said person breaks down. He has a fee system based on percentages of the money involved, he has business cards, I imagine, and I am sure he must have a slick press agent. He has built up quite a practice. Evil Eye Finkle is a genius of sorts. He has taken the human eye, which hitherto had been used only for reading, writing and staring at the girls, and made a profitable career of it. He is a pioneer, at least.

Several weeks ago the lads at CBS, a Chicago radio station, heard about the genius and decided to broadcast him. But first they wanted to make sure that he really had a reputation, and wrote dozens of Broadway celebrities, including Jack Dempsey and James Braddock, all of whom immediately wrote back, "Yes, the guy is a formidable hexer, and can ruin anyone with his evil eye."

And so, I understand, Finkle demonstrated over the radio. I wish I had listened in on that broadcast; it might have been dull, but no doubt it was novel. Here was a medieval superstition using the most modern of invention, the radio, to stupefy the people. H. G. Wells and other fictioneers of science never invented as fantastic a situation.

The thing is boloney, of course. Nobody has an evil eye that can cause accidents, ailments, or the loss of prize fights. There are no witches, fairies, trolls, bogeymen, or ghosts. There is no Santa Claus; there is no devil.

What is real is the ancient darkness of the human mind. In its primitive depths many superstitions still live. Just as we all have rudimentary physical hangovers of the racial past, like the useless appendix, there linger also the primitive mental fears and taboos.

Superstition is real, and still a great living force in the world, where modern science and knowledge are not yet spread among the masses. The backwood peasantry of every land is the most fertile field for these superstitions to flourish. Or so it is generally believed, until someone like Evil Eye Finkle proves that the same dark ignorance and illiteracy can flourish among the sophisticated and wise guys of Broadway.

But here is the payoff. Just as there never was a stoopidgoon who worked for love, just so there never was a superstition that was not carefully tended by some profiteer.

"Evil Eye" Finkle has been built up until he has quite a racket. By this time I do not doubt that there are many Broadway morons who believe his publicity and are ready to faint of fright and lick themselves by auto-suggestion at one glance of his professional eye.

One of the signs of the racketeering character of fascism is its repudiation of science and exploitation of all the mass superstitions. Democracy and science were practically born into the world together, and they will live and conquer together. Evil Eye Finkle, like Hitler, is a passing freak of history, an episode of the time of backwardness, but the radio and the people's ballot will live longer than both.

## HOW DO YOU FEEL?

### HEALTH ADVICE

Reader questions will be referred to doctor for reply. However, diagnosis of individual cases and prescription will not be attempted. When writing, please enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

### BY MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

#### The Flame Of Life

We can go on without food and drink for a time but not for as long as the anti-New Dealers would have us believe. We cannot keep alive without air for more than a few minutes. Why we need to breathe to keep alive is a fascinating story in which every nation has played its part.

Robert Boyle, an Englishman, almost 300 years ago tried his vacuum pump on a glass chamber in which he had placed both a mouse and a lighted candle. He found that even before all the air had been withdrawn the candle went out and the mouse died. The flame and the mouse both needed air. A little later, another Britisher, John Mayow, who died before he was 35, showed that only a part of the air is necessary both for flame and life. It was more than 100 years later that Joseph Priestley, an English clergyman, showed what that part of the air was—oxygen. Another Joseph, Joseph Black, a Scottish medical student, demonstrated what it was that was produced both by the flame of a fire and by the Flame of Life. It was a gas, carbonic acid gas or carbon dioxide.

All these discoveries were brought together by Lavoisier who died during the French Revolution. He measured the amount of carbon dioxide given off during a certain time by a guinea pig kept in a closed space. He also found how much charcoal or carbon had to be burned to produce the same amount of carbon dioxide as given off by the little animal. He then showed that the burning carbon and the guinea pig each gave off the same amount of heat. Lavoisier had solved the puzzle of why we breathe. We breathe to take in enough oxygen to burn up slowly or oxidize the carbon-bearing foods (sugars, starches, fats, proteins) to produce energy and give off water and carbon dioxide. The more energy is needed, the more oxygen is needed, and the more water and carbon dioxide are produced.

Certain vital processes in the human body are determined by measuring the rate at which we breathe oxygen, release energy, and give off water and carbon dioxide. This exchange of gases and giving off of water and energy is called "metabolism." When we are at rest and have not eaten for 12-15 hours, our metabolism is at its lowest ebb, called the "basal metabolism." This

## Fine Work by Gropper at ACA Gallery

By WALT CARMON

Only a few days remain to see William Gropper's exhibit at the ACA Gallery, which closes Saturday, March 18.

To date the exhibit has drawn a large attendance, calling for another week's extension. But if this showing of paintings, water colors and drawings receives deserved credit, the last days will crowd the gallery to its doors.

Here are 26 pieces of work in various mediums, beautifully done by one of our master craftsmen, all startlingly alive with contemporary comment and ranging in subject matter from winter scenes on the Hudson to the plight of European refugees and the war in Spain. Both in technical excellence and political depth and feeling this exhibit does full credit to an artist who for twenty years of brilliant work has established himself not only as top-ranking political cartoonist but also a painter of note.

Gropper's approach varies with subject matter. "Minorities," somber-toned, steeped in age-old misery of the persecuted, is in direct contrast to "City Council," painted in higher tones, and alive with action as vividly as the former proceeds in a painful funeral march. Both are beautifully done. "Behind The Lines," the largest canvas hung, showing escaping civilians in the approach of towering mountains, has an almost classic feeling, much unlike Gropper's other paintings, and yet majestic and warmly welcome.

### Splendid Collection Of Water Colors

What is striking about the exhibit is the splendid collection of water colors. These alone are well worth a trip to the gallery. In most of these, particularly in the Hudson winter scenes there is an immediate reminder of fine Japanese prints, yet with a distinctive and individual Gropper touch which one can't mistake. These two water colors, "Winter Scene" and "Croton-on-Hudson" are convincing and beautiful. Other scenes, "Posse," "Surrender," "Sentry" are as explosive and tense with action as the winter scenes are winter-peaceful.

In "A Mural Cartoon for the New Interior Bldg., Washington, D.C." (taking up one wall of the gallery) we have a moving dam construction panorama. It is very much alive and impressive.

Although William Gropper is best known by newspaper and magazine readers as a master satirist and cartoonist, this exhibition features the work of Gropper, the painter. Paintings and water colors are explosively imbued with action and meaning and are woven of beautiful design and vivid color.

This exhibition of the work of one of our finest contemporary artists holds a treat in store for everyone going to see it... reminding you again that the exhibition closes at the end of this week.

### 'Mamele' in Bronx

The Radio Theatre, Jennings St. and Southern Blvd. is now playing Molly Picon in "Mamele" her latest Jewish film.

## On the Radio

SHORTWAVE BAND	
Radio Center	Moscow, 9:00 A.M., 15.317
WABC	9:00 A.M., 6.030, 9.0001,
Der Deutsche Freiherr Sender	10.10 Megacycles, 4:00 P.M.
REGULAR BAND	
WMCA	870 Kilocycles, WEAF, 880;
WOR	710; WJZ, 780; WNYC, 810; WABD,
WHN	1010; WINS, 1180; WNEW,
WBBM	1300; WGN, 1580.
DAILY PROGRAMS	
7:00-WNYC	Music Symphony.
7:45-WABC	Morning News Report.
8:00-WOR	Trans-Radio News.
8:15-WNYC	New York State Employment Service Consumers Guide.
8:30-WHIN	10: P. M. News.
8:45-WNYC	Around New York Today.
9:00-WOR	Midnight News Report.
11:00-WNYC	11: P. M. News.
11:15-WZN	Ad Rahnberg, Shopper's Information.
11:45-WZN	Art and Your Health."
AFTERNOON	
12:00-WNYC	Midday Symphony.
12:30-WZN	National Farm and Home Hour.
1:00-WOR	Trans-Radio News.
1:45-WNYC	Quiz.
2:00-WZN	"Your Health."
2:45-WMCN	10:30-Music.
3:00-WMCN	Indianapolis Symphony.
3:15-WNYC	Music Melody Singers.
3:30-WHN	U. S. Government Reports.
3:45-WZN	Quotations.
4:00-WNYC	Trans-Radio News.
4:45-WZN	Quiz.
5:00-WOR	Trans-Radio News.
5:45-WZN	Composers' Hour.
6:00-WNYC	Music of the Moment.
6:45-WZN	Music.
7:00-WMCN	Holiday College Program.
7:45-WZN	Music and Haze."
8:00-WMCN	News.
8:15-WZN	Women Make News.
8:30-WZN	Woman's Interest Orchestra.
8:45-WZN	Young People's Concert in Cooperation with New York Public Library.
9:00-WZN	Young People's Concert in New York.
9:45-WHN	U. S. News.
10:00-WZN	Worshipful Gordon, Children's Program.
10:15-WZN	EVENING
10:30-WZN	Our American Schools.
10:45-WZN	U.S.A. Don.
11:00-WZN	WNYC-Quartet.
11:15-WZN	WZN-Sports and Sports.
11:30-WZN	WZN-TV.
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12:45-WZN	Malcolm Claire, Stories for Children.
12:55-WZN	Jimmie Powers, Sport Talk.

### City of Culture

The film begins in Prague, capital of Czechoslovakia. The Austrian Anschluss is now a matter of history. The camera moves sedately through the well-kept streets. Prague is an admirable city, rich in culture and tradition. The threat of war is in the air but the determination to keep their land free and the will to fight is clearly visible in the faces of the people. Gas masks have become a matter of grave concern to the republic in spite of the guarantees of the great powers. A woman is seen trying on a mask. A horse is shown grotesquely gas masked.

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## ON THE SCOREBOARD

By LESTER RODNEY

There's only one thing to do when the interesting mail piles up on top of the desk—trundle them en toto into the composing room, shake the finished type well, and . . .

### Doesn't Like Farrell—

Dear Lester Rodney:  
I hope you have the courage to print this . . . it is intended as constructive criticism.

You seem to assume that Dave Farrell's columns are a constant joy to readers of the "Daily." Personally I (and lots of my friends) think he's rather lousy, has a boring style and knows less "inside dope" than he would have us believe. The writers in New York (Rodney, Kurman, et al) are fine enough it seems, without resorting to Farrell—whose only quality is his ability to fill space.

Please print this and I'm sure many other readers agree with me.

STAN STOOM  
472 W. 17th St.  
New York City

We'll let another letter right out of the same mail answer friend Stoom's. And take it from one who gets the mail, Mr. Stoom is strictly in the minority. My own opinion, such as it is, holds Farrell to be the finest sports columnist in New York City when his not frequent enough contributions grace this page. And if any of them know baseball more thoroughly than Dave, I've failed to catch them, and up here we have to read all the papers, even Dirty Willie's rags. But don't you buy it—let me tell you about it. Here's the letter on Farrell—

Daily Worker Sports Editor  
Daily Worker.

Dear Lester Rodney:

You can forward this letter to Dave Farrell if you want to. It isn't addressed to him, but it's about him.

I don't read the Daily Worker sports page every day. You know how we read the Daily. Or at least, the way I do. First the front page, then the feature page—(Mike Gold, Manning, the movies, the drama)—then depending on how I feel—the sports page OR the editorial page.

So even though I read the Daily every day, I don't always get to the sports page. But I have managed to catch Dave Farrell's column a few times. And the guy is good! It took me a little time to catch on and the first column went over my head, but since then I've come to the great awakening.

We're all partial to our paper and willing to overlook some faults. We know under what difficulties it has to struggle, and sometimes apologies are necessary. But no apologies go with Dave Farrell. He's too good.

Sincerely,  
SAM LATNER.

P.S.—My mind was made up to write this before I read your reminder on the opposite side of the page, but it helped.

S.L.

### Some More Facts on Mickey Farber—

Sports Editor  
Daily Worker:

After reading in the Sunday Worker the swell write-up that was given to Mickey Farber I think that if you will look in your files for March 18, 1938, in reference to some boxing bouts run for the benefit of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade you will find that Mickey Farber was quite a help to the committee that night by loaning the gloves, and refereeing some of the bouts that night.

Hoping that if you write anything more in your column concerning the fight on March 17th I know you will include these facts, I remain,

Comradely yours,  
AARON HARRIS  
12 Attorney Street  
New York City.

P. S.—SALUD.

And said to Mickey Farber, a grand kid as well as a grand fighter—who, like Jack Dempsey, Jim Braddock, Joe Louis, Henry Armstrong, Tony Canzoneri, Lou Ambers and almost all of the boys who sling leather for a living, comes from right out of the ranks of the working class and the dispossessed and never forgets it.

It's not strange to find a fighter strongly anti-fascist. It's more strange to find the lone exception, the social climbing, people hating phony like Gene Tunney. Try to sell a fighter a fascist bill of goods on "racial inferiority" and he'll laugh in your face. He's seen boys of every race, creed and color show the red badge of courage in this tough, grueling sport that puts a premium on just that basic quality.

The fighter who may have started with some of the "racial inferiority" ideas gets them knocked out of his hide pronto.

But this is getting to sound suspiciously like a column. Back to the readers.

### A Baseball Query—One for the Books—

Dear Mr. Rodney:

In reference to a controversy on baseball, i.e. A batter hits a single and in running to first base runs over it without touching same. He is tagged with ball before he returns to the base. Is he safe or out?

LEO ROSENBERG,  
1442 Boston Road,  
Bronx, N. Y.

The batter is out, nor does he get credit for a base hit. You've just got to touch that old sack. Ask Mr. Joe Coscorari of the Dodgers who smacked a "double" the other day against the Reds and after brushing himself off at second base was tagged out because he had neglected the little formality of touching first. Which made for the season's no-hit game and I still love the Dodgers.

Here's a real baseball honey for you. The authenticity of it was sworn for by an old timer, and I'll pass it along. It's the story of a base hit that drove in FIVE runs. Here's how:

Bases full. Batter lines a clean hit out to left field. Runner on third, starting to trot home, trips and breaks ankle. Unable to run, he clogs traffic. Meanwhile the left fielder gets the ball and fires it in general direction of infield. Ball comes to pitcher on one hop. Pitcher wheels to fire it home and thus force crippled runner at plate. The next batter, waiting his turn to get up, sees that the pitcher is throwing the ball from the rubber on the pitching mound, making it a legal pitch. He rushes to the plate, knocks the easy throw home out of the park and five runs score as the man with the broken ankle drags himself across the plate head of his four teammates.

Good afternoon, all.

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## LIU, ST. JOHNS MEET TOURNEY INVADERS

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### All American Star Refs All American Games

#### Galento-Louis OK'd For Gotham

#### Solons Say Tony Must Pass Fitness Examination

The New York State Athletic Commission ruled yesterday that if Tony Galento can pass a physical fitness examination it would approve a heavyweight championship fight for late June with champion Joe Louis.

Galento will be asked to appear before the Commission next Tuesday, March 21, to apply for renewal of his recently expired New York boxing license. Granting of a new license will be a routine affair and after that the Commissioners will submit Tony to a rigid physical examination.

If he passes the examination, the bout will be approved, probably at the Yankee Stadium on June 29.

In preparing the conditions for the fight, Chairman Gen. John J. Phelan said that Tony would have to be in "perfect physical condition."

Bill Brown, another Commissioner, asked Phelan just what he meant by physical condition."

The Commissioners argued back and forth for several minutes and then agreed that Galento would have to be proven "organically sound" before he is allowed to fight Louis.

#### Exhibition Results

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.  
Cincinnati (N) ..... 86 400 413 9 1-1  
St. Louis (N) ..... 610 960 100 2-8 1  
Washington (N) ..... Lombardi; Raffensberg; Bowman, Shoen, McGee and Padgett, Frank, Narren.

CLEARWATER, Fla. .... 86 650 622 1 6 8  
Brooklyn (N) ..... 610 960 100 2-8 2  
Kirksey, Lafever and Peaseck; Hamm, Wyat, Lafever and Phelps.

A mass Daily and Sunday Worker circulation—a mass Communist Party—Communist candidates in the City Council—a great progressive victory in 1940!



Albie Booth, former All-American Yale football star, refereeing at the New Haven Eastern Basketball finals of the International Workers Order. The Hazelton, Pa. Mountaineers galloped through the tournament to become the East's representative at the National Championships of the Order in Chicago Saturday.

#### Club Vida Wins Chi IWO Tourney

CHICAGO, Ill., March 14.—Club Vida of Gary, Ind., won the Lake Michigan Region basketball championship of the International Workers' Order when it swamped the Chicago Monarchs 46-25, Sunday, and will battle for the National Championship title at St. Phillips Gym here, March 19.

The Vida team, of Lodge 516, displayed a fast passing game hooked with a finely knit defense that added up to easy elimination of the Monarchs, who had earlier dumped the Club Sea quintet of Hammond, Ind., favorite in the tourney. Hansen, spark plug forward of the Gary five, led the scoring with 19 points.

In its first game Club Vida had little difficulty drowning out the South Side Red Devils, 48-19.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 13.—

In a sudden death overtime period the Chicago Monarchs, Lodge 1501, defeated the Toledo littleheaders, 32-30, to win the Midwest Junior Basketball Championship in the New Orleans enroute to California. Hansen called up Vida and told him what a great hitter Vida is . . . Charlie Grimm and Heine Manus saw Keller in action at St. Petersburg, and told Vida he can drive a ball farther to left field than any left-handed hitter in the majors . . . "I don't want to hear any more about Keller," says Vida, "I'll see him soon enough."

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY Shindig, Sponsored by the 8th Ward Branch of the G. F. Shureland Foundation, March 18. St. Patrick's Day, 8 P.M. Robert Minor, Mother Bloom, Speakers, Bishop of Milwaukee, New Theatre; Michael Hayes, Dan Gurney.

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